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EXAMINER:

FOR: DRIED POROUS CRUMBS OF HYDROGENATED BLOCK COPOLYMER

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

The following Preliminary Amendments and Remarks are respectfully submitted
in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Before line 1, insert --This application is the national phase under 35 U.S.C. §371
of PCT International Application No. PCT/JP99/02304 which has an International filing
date of April 28, 1999 which designated the United States of America.--

(1) PAGE 29: Line 1, change "100,000,000" to --1,000,000--

(2) PAGE 78: Line 20, change "agitation shaft 3" to --agitation shaft 13--

(3) PAGE 87: Line 16, change "3.75 g" to --3.75 kg--